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SUBJ: JAPANESE URANIUM INTERESTS IN NIGER

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1. INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES LTD. IS ONE OF SIXTEEN FOREIGN COMPANIES FROM NINE DIFFERENT COUNTRIES INTERESTED IN NIGER'S URANIUM. JAPANESE PETROLEUM TRADING COMPANY (JPTC), MIM R PARTNER OF INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES WITH PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE IN NIAMEY, HAD BEEN NEGOTIATING WITH GON SINCE EARLY 1975 FOR 12,280 SQUARE KILOMETER AZELIK CONCESSION. GON HAD DELAYED ACCORD UNTIL JPTC AND OTHER FOREIGN COMPANIES AGREED TO FINANCE 64 MILLION DOLS TAHOUA-ARLIT ROAD -- ONE SEGMENT NIGER'S PART OF TRANS-SAHARAN ROUTE. WHEN JPTC SIGNED URANIUM ROAD PROTOCOL LAST SEPTEMBER 13, GON GRANTED IT AZELIK MINING CONCESSION ON SAME DAY.

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2. L-SHAPED AZELIK MINING CONCESSION LIES NORTH AND
EAST OF INGALL. LOCAL MINING REPS REPORT JPTC HAS
HAD DRILLING EQUIPMENT IN THE AREA SINCE EARLY THIS
YEAR IN ANTICIPATION OF EVENTUAL AGREEMENT. PRELIMINARY
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